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NTCCC MEETS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

On Wednesday, September 4, 2013 the National Trade Contractors Coalition of Canada (NTCCC) held its most recent meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia. Coalition members were provided an update on the status of Ontario Bill 69 *"An Act Respecting Payments under Contracts and Subcontractors in the Construction Industry"* specifically that the Private Members Bill, introduced by Ontario MPP Del Duca, was supported by all three parties and passed second reading this past May.

Sandra Skivsky of Coalition member, Canadian Masonry Contractors Association, said: *"Over the summer months, members of the Ontario caucus of NTCCC has had several meetings with MPP's as well as other industry associations on Bill 69 and we intend to move things along very quickly this coming Fall"*.

The NTCCC meeting also added two new priorities to it's list of items to address in the near future specifically: 1) the state of tender documents within our industry and seeking solutions for improvement of same and 2) looking at "Ways and Means" to have the entire industry, design community and contractors alike, to understand the quantitative impact of changes on a construction project and how to address them in a responsible and fair manner. The development of a NTCCC change order guide modeled after existing industry protocols is also being considered.

On the occasion of the Vancouver meeting, NTCCC representatives also met with trade contractor representatives from the provincial construction trade community to talk specifically about Prompt Payment Legislation in the province of British Columbia. Richard McKeagan who represents coalition member, Mechanical Contractors Association of Canada noted: *"I believe this meeting with the British Columbia trade contractors was very informative and extremely helpful in moving to Prompt Payment Legislation along in B.C."* adding *"This was only enhanced through the presence of the British Columbia Construction Association (BCCA) President, Manley McLachlan, who noted that BCCA is extremely supportive about the prospect of BC Prompt Payment Legislation and was enthusiastic about working with the British Columbia trade contractors organization now called the British Columbia Chapter of the National Trade Contractors Coalition of Canada"*.

On another note, NTCCC Chairman Bob Hoare, retired from his position as the Coalition Chairman and is to be replaced by Mr. Brad Diggins of MJS Mechanical Limited, Calgary, Alberta. Coalition members thanked Mr. Hoare for his years of service to NTCCC.

In addition, NTCCC also welcomed the newest Coalition member: Tile, Terrazzo and Marble Guild making it the 12th Association member.

The next meeting of the NTCCC is planned for November, 2013 in Ottawa, Ontario.

The National Trade Contractors Coalition of Canada (NTCCC) was established in 2004 to provide an organized forum for Canada's national trade organizations to share information, resources, and to collaborate on issues that are of common interest all. The membership is currently comprised of: Canadian Roofing Contractors Association, Canadian Automatic Sprinkler Association, Canadian Masonry Contractors Association, Canadian Electrical Contractors Association, Mechanical Contractors Association of Canada, Interior Systems Contractors Association, Thermal Insulation Association of Canada, Heating Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Institute of Canada-Contractors Division, Sheet-Metal Contractors Association, Canadian Institute of Steel Construction, Canadian Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute and the Tile, Terrazzo, and Marble Guild.

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